

**CORNER RECORDATION ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 74 of 1970**

**54.202 Definitions.**

Sec. 2. As used in this act:

(a) "Property corner" means a geographic point on the surface of the earth, which is on, is a part of, and controls a property line.

(b) "Property controlling corner" for a property means a public land survey corner or any property corner which does not lie on a property line of the property in question but which controls the location of 1 or more of the property corners of the property in question.

(c) "Public land survey corner" means any corner actually established and monumented in an original survey or resurvey used as a basis of legal description for issuing a patent for the land to a private person from the United States government.

(d) "Corner", unless otherwise qualified, means a property corner, a property controlling corner, a public land survey corner, or any combination of these.

(e) "Accessory", with respect to a corner, means any exclusively identifiable physical object whose spatial relationship to the corner is recorded. Accessories may be bearing trees, bearing objects, monuments, reference monuments, line trees, pits, mounds, charcoal-filled bottles, steel or wooden stakes, or other objects.

(f) "Monument" means a marker that occupies the position of a corner and that possesses or is made to possess a magnetic field.

(g) "Reference monument" means a special monument that does not occupy the same geographical position as the corner itself but whose spatial relationship to the corner is recorded and that serves to witness the corner.

(h) "Surveyor" means a professional surveyor who is licensed to practice professional surveying under the occupational code, 1980 PA 299, MCL 339.101 to 339.2721.

(i) "Board" means the board of professional surveyors, as established by section 2002 of the occupational code, 1980 PA 299, MCL 339.2002.

(j) "Corner record" means a written record on a form, approved by the board, of a corner established, reestablished, monumented, remonumented, restored, rehabilitated, perpetuated, or used as a control in a survey.

(k) "County surveyor" means an individual holding the elective office of county surveyor, subject to section 95 of 1846 RS 14, MCL 54.95, or an individual appointed as county representative pursuant to section 9 of the state survey and remonumentation act, 1990 PA 345, MCL 54.269.

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